

Town of Brookhaven Officials Celebrate the Holiday Season During the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony at Town Hall

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Pictured left to right are Town Veterans Service Officer John Rago, Mary Karabaich, Army Veteran

Anthony Karabaich, Santa Claus, Councilman Tim Mazzei, Councilwoman Connie Kepert and Supervisor Ed Romaine.

Farmingville, NY - On Friday December 7, Supervisor Ed Romaine and Santa Claus were joined by Councilwoman Connie Kepert and Councilman Tim Mazzei to light the Christmas tree at Brookhaven Town Hall. The annual event featured performances by the Brookhaven Town talent show winners, jazz, hip-hop and lyrical dancers, the William Floyd High School Select Chorus, and the Rocky Point High School Singing Santas. The highlight of the evening was when Santa Claus arrived on a fire truck to greet the crowd and light the 50 ft. Town Christmas Tree.

Since the Town Christmas Tree lighting celebration fell on the 71st anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Supervisor Romaine honored our military by lighting the traditional wreath that features a yellow ribbon. Joining the Supervisor was Army Veteran Anthony Karabaich who served from 1961 to 1963 with the 50th Army Engineers. His house in Mastic Beach, which he has lived in for 38 years, sustained severe damaged during Super Storm Sandy. He is currently living in Ridge with his 97 year old mother until repairs to his home are completed. Anthony, an accomplished harmonica player, entertained the crowd with a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America" in tribute to our country's veterans and the brave men and woman who are currently serving in the military

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